

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Residents of other states and countries have attempted to register for the certification and licensing examinations we administer because they do not qualify for assignment to the exams in their states or countries of residence. We believe that their only purpose in seeking certification or licensure here is to try to use that as leverage for similar privileges in their resident location. We seek to prevent this activity and have suggested changes to the first paragraph of Idaho Code Section 54-1212 to accomplish that.

The Board needs the authority to postpone action on an application from an applicant against whom disciplinary charges are unresolved in another jurisdiction. The Board also needs the authority to postpone release of scores to candidates on an examination if there is any unresolved examination irregularity involving the applicant. We have suggested changes to the last paragraph of Idaho Code Section 54-1212 and have added a sentence to Idaho Code Section 54-1219 to accomplish this.

In order to allow applications to be made digitally we need to remove the requirement that applications be made "under oath". Veracity of statements will be assured through the application process. We have suggested changes to the first paragraph of Idaho Code Section 54-1213 to accomplish this.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the State of Idaho general funds or to the dedicated funds of the Board of Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors.

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